

amination as their limited time and acquaintance with the subject would permit, and must say, that for neatness of execution, and apparent accuracy, they have never seen any to exceed them; some papers belonging to the chancery office, the committee are informed, were found in the offices of several of the solicitors in chancery, these were produced and recorded, and as the committee conceive, with strict propriety, they not the less belonging to the chancery office, on account of their having been temporarily removed therefrom, and their importance to the parties concerned being in all probability equal to that of any other class of papers belonging to said office. The amount of expense incurred in performance of this work, rendered necessary by the delinquency of former registers, will be seen by reference to the communications of the executive, which the committee recommend should be inserted on the journal, with this report.

All which is respectfully submitted,

By order,

James H. Milbourne, Com. Clk.

The house then adjourned until this evening five o'clock.

### SATURDAY EVENING, FIVE O'CLOCK.

March 15. 1828.

The house met, pursuant to adjournment. Were present, the same members as in the morning.

On motion by Mr. Dennis, the house proceeded to consider the bill, reported by Mr. Gibbons, entitled, An act to authorise the governor and council of Maryland to appoint inspectors of staves for the city of Baltimore. And in the progress of the second reading thereof,

On motion by Mr. Thomas of Cecil, the third section of said bill, was amended by inserting the word "heading," after the word "staves," in the first line of that section.

On motion by Mr. Steuart of Baltimore, the question was propounded, Shall the further consideration of said bill be referred to the first day of June next? And it was determined in the negative.

On motion by Mr. M'Mahon, the question was propounded, Shall the said bill be amended, by striking out the words "governor and council," in the first and second lines of the first section, and inserting in lieu thereof, the words "mayor and city council of Baltimore." And it was determined in the negative.

Mr. M'Mahon, then moved to amend the bill by inserting at the end thereof, the following words: "and that purchasers of staves within the city of Baltimore, shall be re-